

## **Comments Requested on Modernization of the Optometric Practice Reference (OPR)**

The Optometric Practice Reference (OPR) replaced The Guide to the Practice of Optometry in 2007. Over the years, the sections of the document have been updated to articulate and clarify new and existing standards of practice. A comprehensive review of the OPR was initiated to ensure proposed changes:

- Reflect current public needs, health care systems, and societal values (e.g., diversity, equity, and inclusion principles)
- Be relevant to current optometry practice and advances in health care sciences and technologies
- Be consistent with current legislative requirements
- Be evidence-based and risk-informed (e.g., from sources such as College data,
- environmental scans, literature reviews, and stakeholder feedback)
- Ensure clear, concise, and consistent language understood by the profession and public
- Address gaps in content
- Increase accessibility

At its March 7, 2025 meeting, Council approved circulation of the modernized OPR to College registrants and stakeholders for 60 days.

## Your comments are invited

The proposed amendments to the OPR and rationale can be viewed on the College website. Your input is important. Please send us your comments by email or mail.

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Deadline for comments is 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 6, 2025.